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Dear Representatives,

Please do not establish Michigan Health Insurance Exchanges in an attempt to pre-empt Obamacare. Please do not cooperate in any way with Obamacare. Obamacare is a massive intrusion into the private sector, an egregious usurpation of our rights, an economic disaster, and a potentially lethal endeavor which will ruin the finest health care system in the world. Please do nothing to facilitate it before the Supreme Court rules or until after the 2012 elections hopefully make it moot. There are options ahead such as the Health Care Compact which may pre-empt it altogether. Furthermore, the federal bill has not provided funding for establishing Obamacare in the states so they will be powerless to inflict it upon us. If you enact a stop-gap law now in order to avert a worse law later, we are nevertheless stuck with a bad law. Experience teaches that laws are easier to defeat than they are to repeal. Please continue resisting the temptation to enact law now which we will regret later.

Please do not vote to spend more Federal money. Every Federal dollar comes with Federal strings. If you start a project with Federal "free" money, you will have to develop the project according to their rules and you will be left to fund the operation, maintenance, improvements, and repairs on your own. Further, every Federal dollar we spend takes this nation one step closer to bankruptcy and we have few such steps left. For these reasons, please do not vote to spend Federal money to pay for electronic records for health care providers or for establishing Michigan health insurance exchanges in Michigan or for anything else, for that matter.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

*Ray Edwards*